

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) An electromagnetic relay in which a coil block is put on a base, a moving contact plate and fixed contact plates are implanted in such a fashion as to oppose one another, said moving contact plate is allowed to undergo elastic deformation as said coil block is excited and demagnetized, and a moving contact of said moving contact plate is brought into contact with and out of contact from fixed contacts of said fixed contact plates, wherein:

said fixed contact plate comprises a contact-fitting portion to which said fixed contact is fixed, a leg portion from which terminal portions extend, and a connection portion for connecting said contact-fitting portion to said push-in fixing portion; a connection position between said contact-fitting portion and said connection portion and a connection position between said connection portion and said leg portion are bent, respectively, so that positions of said fixed contacts and said terminal portions are deviated with respect to an implanting direction of said fixed contact plate;

said moving contact plate comprises a contact-fitting portion to which said moving contact is fixed, a push-in fixing portion which is pushed in and fixed to said base and from which terminal portions extend, and a connection portion for connecting said contact-fitting portion to said push-in fixing portion;

said connection portion has a width smaller than said contact-fitting portion and said push-in fixing portion; [[and]]

a connection position between said push-in fixing portion and said connection portion is bent and a part of said contact-fitting portion is bent in such a fashion that the positions of said moving contact and said terminal portions are deviated with respect to an implanting direction of said moving contact plate; and

the bend line of the moving contact plate and the fixed contact plate is perpendicular to the direction of movement of the moving contact plate.

2. (Original) An electromagnetic relay according to claim 1, wherein a notch portion is defined along a centerline of said moving contact plate, and an elastic coefficient of said moving contact plate is adjustable when a shape of said notch portion is changed.
3. (Withdrawn) An electromagnetic relay in which a coil block is put on a base, a moving contact plate and fixed contact plates are implanted in such a fashion as to oppose one another, said moving contact plate is allowed to undergo elastic deformation as said coil block is excited and demagnetized, and a moving contact of said moving contact plate is brought into contact with and out of contact from fixed contacts of said fixed contact plates, wherein;

said fixed contact plate comprises a contact-fitting portion to which said fixed contact is fixed, a leg portion from which terminal portions extend, and a connection portion for connecting said contact-fitting portion to said push-in fixing portion;

a connection position between said contact-fitting portion and said connection portion and a connection position between said connection portion and said leg portion are bent, respectively, so that positions of said fixed contacts

and said terminal portions are deviated with respect to an implanting direction of said fixed contact plate; and

an open portion is formed at the connection position between said contact-fitting portion and said connection portion, and protuberances for reinforcement are formed on both sides of a position corresponding to said open portion.